JEFFERSON COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, April 17, 2019

The Jefferson County Traffic Safety Commission met on Wednesday, April 17, 2019, at 1:00 P.M. for a meeting at the Jefferson County Highway Office.

ROLL OF THE HIGHWAY COMMITTEE:

Members present: Delzer, Jenswold, Pileggi, Cooper, Mayer, Kutz

Members absent: Kern, Davis, Milbrath

Also Present: Ann Jenswold, Highway Department

Brian Udovich, Highway Department Randy Wiessinger, WisDOT/BOTS

David Brower, Watertown Police Department

Rick Winter, Town Aztalan Tim Wiedenfeld, Town Aztalan

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMISSION MINUTES: The minutes from the October 17, 2018, Jefferson County Traffic Safety Commission meeting, having been distributed in advance, it was moved by Kutz and seconded by Cooper to approve the minutes as printed. Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

E-mail: Capt. Dave Brower will be new representative for Watertown Police Department

E-mail: Chief Selck, Lake Mills Police Department

E-mail: Regarding CTH "D" & Piper Road – 90 degree turn – Health Department

PUBLIC COMMENT:

NONE

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

9a. Discuss traffic safety with farm machinery on CTH B (Aztalan – Lake Mills)

The Committee was addressed by Tim Wiedenfeld, Town of Aztalan, regarding safety concerns and personal incidences he has had with the traveling public and his farm machinery along CTH B. After hearing his concerns, the Committee discussed the possibility of monitoring traffic speeds along the roadway by the State Patrol and Sheriff Department. The addition of flags and flashing lights with signage for farm machinery along the roadway was also discussed. It was

stated by Randy Wiessinger that 10 accidents have been reported in that area since January 2017. No Motion

9b. Discuss adding flashing lights to stop signs at CTH D and USH 18

Ryan Mayer reported that this area has had a few recent crashes, but within the last five years show no major accidents in the area. He stated that the sight distance is good in this area. There was a discussion to place double stop signs, but no further discussion nor recommendation for flashing lights. Carried unanimously

10. Traffic Accident Spot Map – Jefferson County Sheriff's Department

Sheriff Milbrath was not on hand to report on his traffic accident spot map, but the five fatalities since October 2018 were reviewed along with the contributing factors to the crashes.

11. WisDOT Southwest Region, Madison - Traffic Section (Ryan Mayer)

Ryan Mayer was approached by a resident along Highway 89 and CTH "W" for the placement of an engine brake sign to be put up by Hoard Road. Mayer stated that WisDOT would allow the sign, stating that the Town of Jefferson would be responsible for putting up the sign and maintaining it.

12. WisDOT Bureau of Transportation Safety – Transportation Safety Report & Highway Safety Input

Randy Wiessinger reported on 114 fatalities for the year compared to 136 last year for this same time frame. Jefferson County had 13 fatalities last year, 2 this year, with a five year average of 10. He stated that April is distracted driver month. He reported that Click it or Ticket partnership is coming up. He also reminded the Committee that the Governor's Conference is coming up in August.

13. Wisconsin State Patrol (Greg Jenswold)

Sgt. Jenswold reported on current staffing numbers. He stated that yesterday was Blue Enforcement Day for all Southeast Wisconsin.

14. Village/City Police Department-Reports

No Report

15. Jefferson County Highway Department - Report

No Report

The next Traffic Safety Commission meeting is set for Wednesday, July 17, 2019 at the Jefferson County Highway Department, at 1:00 P.M.

Motion by Mr. Cooper and seconded by Mr. Kutz to adjourn at 2:25 p.m. Carried unanimously.